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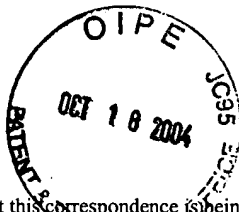
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**AMENDMENT NO. 1**

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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed October 5, 2004.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.